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Dear Sir:

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The Schofield et al. 5,786,772; 5,550,677 and 5,193,029 patents, the Lynam et al. 5,446,576; 5,384,578; 5,220,317; 5,148,014; 5,122,647 and 5,076,673 patents, the Molyneux et al. 4,886,960 patent, the Gahan et al. 4,793,690 patent, the Schierbeek et al. 5,715,093 patent, the Schierbeek 6,547,404; 6,089,721 and 6,305,807 patents, the O'Farrell et al. 5,798,575 patent, the Larson et al. 5,530,240; 5,416,313; 5,424,898 and 5,285,060 patents, and the Hoekstra et al. 6,595,649; 6,056,410; 6,210,008; 6,299,315; 6,406,152 and 6,474,820 patents are all commonly assigned with the present application.

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Applicants respectfully request that the information cited in the prior parent application, Serial No. 10/285,008, be considered in the present application. With the exception of commonly assigned patent application Serial No. 10/413,264, attached hereto, copies of the cited art can be found in one or more of the parent application files.

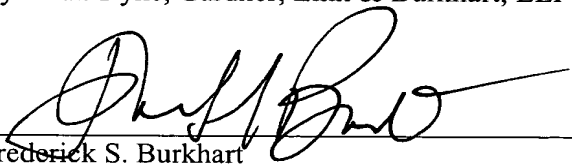
An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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